MINUTES OF THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL

Members present:

Vicki Campbell, Chairman

Larry Walker, Vice Chairman

Lois Benson

Catherine Booker Elvin McCorvey Dale Perkins Randy Ponson Louise Ritz

Mike Steltenkamp Josh Womack

Members absent:

**Deborah Benn** 

**Chuck Kimball** 

Staff present:

**Steve Sorrell, Executive Director** 

Nathalie Bowers, Public Information Officer
Tim Haag, Director of Government Affairs
Linda Juggan, Executive Assistant to the Book

Linda Iversen, Executive Assistant to the Board Gerry Piscopo, Director of Maintenance and

Construction

Jim Roberts, Public Information Officer Patricia Sheldon, Director of Finance

# ITEM A - INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Walker provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### ITEM B - CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Campbell called the regular meeting of the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee to order at approximately 2:02 p.m.

# ITEM C - ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. Walker added the topics of "Styrofoam, plastic bags and budget" to the agenda.

Ms. Ritz added follow-up on issue presented by Mr. Tweedie at the last Committee meeting concerning infrastructure repairs – page five of the agenda.

A motion was made by Ms. Ritz, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, to adopt the agenda as presented and amended. Motion carried 10-0.

# **ITEM D - OPEN FORUM**

There were no comments from the audience.

The Committee members introduced themselves to Mr. Womack and welcomed him as a member of the Committee.

#### ITEM E - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Booker, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 7, 2016 as presented. Motion carried 10-0.

# ITEM F - CONTRACT EXTENSION: AIR RELEASE VALVE REPLACEMENT

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Benson, that the Board approve the first of two one-year contract extensions with Pensacola Concrete Construction Co., Inc., based upon the mutual agreement of both parties, that there will not be an increase in the prices in their original bid, with funding from CIP Project RS423C. Motion carried 10-0.

# ITEM G - AWARD OF BID: ANNUAL RENTAL CONTRACT - DIESEL BYPASS PUMPS AND STORAGE TANKS

A motion was made by Ms. Ritz, seconded by Mr. McCorvey, that the Board award the annual service contract for diesel bypass pumping to Rain For Rent, Inc., the lowest responsive bidder, in the amount not to exceed the unit cost pricing per bid tab, and authorize payment from CIP Project RS728J – Annual L/S Mechanical Needs. The duration of the contract will be for one year, with two optional one-year extensions, upon the mutual agreement of both parties, with no increase in unit cost prices. Motion carried 10-0.

## ITEM H - PURCHASE OF ALK-AQUIT® AND BIOXIDE® PLUS 71

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Ms. Booker, that the Board waive competitive bidding based on our experience, excellent results and the sole-source status of these proprietary products, and approve a contract for one year, with option to renew for one additional year with no

change in price, with Evoqua Water Technologies for the purchase of Alk-AQUIT® and Bioxide® Plus 71 for \$1.58 and \$3.73 per gallon, respectively, with funding from the appropriate budget line item. Motion carried 10-0.

# ITEM I - AWARD OF BID: ANNUAL SERVICE CONTRACT - ENTRANCE ROADS AND TREES

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Mr. Perkins, that the Board award the annual service contract for maintenance of entrance roads and trees for ECUA lift station and easement sites to HHH Construction of NW Florida, Inc., Pensacola, FL, the lowest responsive bidder, in the amount not to exceed the unit cost pricing per bid tab, with \$75,000 from CIP Project RS849 and \$100,000 from CIP Project CA515. The duration of the contract will be for one year, with two optional one-year extensions, upon the mutual agreement of both parties with no increase in unit cost prices. Motion carried 10-0.

# ITEM J - SERVICES AGREEMENT - GREENSOUTH SOLUTIONS, LLC

A motion was made by Mr. McCorvey, seconded by Dr. Walker, that the Board approve and authorize the Executive Director to sign the agreement with GreenSouth Solutions, LLC, for transporting and land applying sludge at the rate of \$35 per ton with them transporting and \$8 per ton with ECUA transporting to GreenSouth Solutions, LLC, for disposal, with funding for these services through the appropriate budget line item. Motion carried 10-0.

Mr. Steltenkamp inquired as to the percentage of sludge that is provided for land application. Mr. Sorrell responded that he could not provide the percentage, but the amount is small.

Further, Mr. Steltenkamp inquired if ECUA has a record of the end application of the sludge transported. Mr. Sorrell indicated he did not currently have that information but would get it back to Mr. Steltenkamp.

## **ITEM K - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:**

The following reports were presented for information only and did not require any action.

- (1) Water Production monthly report November 2016
- (2) Water Production monthly report December 2016
- (3) Water Reclamation monthly report November 2016
- (4) Water Reclamation monthly report December 2016

# ITEM L - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# (a) Styrofoam (Walker)

Dr. Walker stated that he is glad to see that all styrofoam products are no longer in use at ECUA facilities.

# (b) Plastic bags (Walker)

Dr. Walker stated ECUA should take a position with regard to the deterring use of plastic bags, which he feels are environmentally damaging.

# (c) <u>Infrastructure comments by Mr. Tweedie</u> (Ritz)

Ms. Ritz requested an update on staff's response to comments made by Mr. Tweedie during open forum at the December Committee meeting, as follows:

Mr. Barry Tweedie addressed the Committee expressing his concerns about some infrastructure repairs that the City of Pensacola approved, stating that it appears in the pictures that space for other utilities is not being considered. Chairman Campbell commented that staff is hearing his concerns and would look into it.

Mr. Sorrell responded that ECUA has a strong working relationship with the City and County and all agencies consider other utilities that are within the same area. However, one exception is FDOT in that they require lines to be moved or will move lines and then bill ECUA for the work.

#### **ITEM M - NEW BUSINESS**

### (a) Budget (Walker)

Dr. Walker stated that he continues to hear concerns about how ECUA's budget is not big enough – stating that ECUA does not have enough equipment, sanitation in particular, to provide services properly. Further, he feels a rate increase in sanitation is necessary.

### **ITEM N - ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the regular meeting of the ECUA Citizens' Advisory Committee, Chairman Campbell declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen E. Sorrell
Executive Director and
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN A MEETING ON <u>04/19/17</u>.

- (X) Without corrections/amendments.
- () With corrections/amendments being: